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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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HERVE LESCUYER et al

Group Art Unit: 1723

Serial No.: 09/856,460

Examiner: K. S. Menon

Filed: August 7, 2001

For: IMPROVED METHOD FOR FILTERING A METAL LIQUID
ON A BED OF REFRACTORY PARTICULATE MATERIAL

PETITION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Petition is herein made under the provisions of 37
CFR 1.136 for an extension of time for one month for response
to the Office action of October 1, 2003.

The appropriate fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17 is paid
herewith by credit card (Form PTO-2038). Any fees not
accepted by the credit card amount shown on the Form PTO-2038
may be charged to Deposit Account 04-0753.

Respectfully submitted,

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